

## COLUMBIA FROWNS ON TROLLEY PROPOSITION

"Watering" Stock Disapproved by Members of Commercial Club Here, Who Think Cash Bonus to Electric Promoters Better.

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than is now offered by the railroads. He closed by reading a telegram from the Boston firm saying it would buy the bonds as soon as funds were raised to complete the grade.

### Committee to Raise Money.

Speeches were made by J. T. Johnson, P. H. Cullen and S. P. Emmons. S. P. Emmons, W. W. Botts and others were appointed as a committee to assist in securing the remainder of the funds needed.

The meeting adjourned subject to the call of the Business Men's Association.

### PROMOTERS PRESENT OFFER TO COMMERCIAL CLUB.

Officers of the Mexico, Santa Fe and Perry Traction Co., came to Columbia Saturday night and discussed with the Commercial Club the proposition of building an electric line to connect Columbia with Mexico.

The visitors were Mathias Crumb, president; W. W. Botts, secretary; L. S. Robinson, general manager, and O. H. Rockwell, civil and electrical engineer, representing the International Trust Co., of Boston.

### Wants Columbia's Help.

The promoters from Mexico proposed, with the assistance of Perry and the country along the line, to build the road north of Mexico, and that Columbia and Fulton and surrounding country build the southern half.

They offered to give the southern end the use of their plant and to aid them in any way they could. When both ends of the line were completed they proposed to merge the lines into one company.

President Crumb said he had intentionally left four vacancies in the board of sixteen directors, one of which was that of vice-president. He said that if Columbia chose to join them, these vacancies would be filled by Columbia men.

### Wants \$100,000.

W. W. Botts explained the steps that must be taken by Columbia to get the necessary capital to build the road. He said Columbia must raise \$100,000 on stock to serve as a margin, before eastern capital would float a bond issue sufficient to build the road. O. H. Rockwell said his firm would then buy \$350,000 worth of bonds. The bonds to be sold at 85 per cent of the face value, payable in twenty-years with interest at per cent. They proposed that the southern end of the line issue bonds to the amount of \$400,000, face value, to be sold at \$25 per share, one-fourth of the face value to become payable when the whole number of shares were sold.

### Commercial Club Objects.

The bond proposition did not meet with the approval of the Commercial Club. Members of the club said the issuing of \$400,000 worth of stock to be sold for \$100,000 was clearly watering stock. The Mexico men defended their position on the ground that the stock would necessarily sell cheaply at first, because of the small earning capacity. They said they proposed to increase the price of stock on their end

of the line from month to month as the earning capacity of the road increased.

### Boston Wants Rich Profits.

The members of the Commercial Club said furthermore that they considered that bonds sold at 85 per cent of their face value to run for twenty years at 6 per cent were an extremely profitable investment for the purchaser. The promoters agreed that this was so, but contended that the road would pay handsome dividends despite this disadvantage.

L. C. Robinson said the people of Fulton and all along the road were anxious for it, and that if Columbia would raise \$40,000 cash the road would be assured.

### Another Meeting Planned.

After the visitors had departed the club considered the matter. The members at once dropped the bond proposition as impracticable. They agreed that stock subscribed under such conditions would in the end be nothing short of a bonus.

The proposition of raising from \$15,000 to \$25,000 to be paid to the promoters when a road was completed through Columbia was discussed. The meeting adjourned without reaching any definite decision. Another meeting of the Commercial Club will be held in the club rooms next Wednesday night for further discussion of the matter.

The Club wishes to ascertain the sentiments of the citizens of Columbia in regard to the matter.

### Conditions Imposed.

M. G. Quinn, a Columbia real estate man, who is interested in furthering the trolley enterprise told a reporter for the University Missourian today that the eastern capitalists will not back the enterprise unless the road can be run through 100 miles of populous country, where it will receive the support of 100,000 persons.

One of the chief difficulties that confronts the promoters at present is the proposed absorption of the Mexico, Santa Fe and Perry Traction Co. line. This road runs between Perry and Mexico, twenty-five miles, and is bonded for \$85,000, a sum which the promoters of the present enterprise think extremely high.

### Mexico's Agreement.

The officials of the proposed road, at a meeting of the Mexico Business Men's Association presented plans which were endorsed by those present. The company will try to contract for the sale of bonds for a sum which with other contributions, will be sufficient to build the line, or will try to raise \$75,000 on \$300,000 of its stock to be subscribed at not less than one-fourth the par value. If neither of the above conditions is complied with the subscribed stock will become void.

The company holds a franchise in Audrain, Monroe and Ralls counties, and has a right-of-way 25 miles. The new road will connect Perry, Santa Fe, Moline, Mexico, and Columbia with Jefferson City, a distance of 110 miles. The line will connect with the Wabash and Chicago & Alton railroads at Mexico, and with the M., K. & T. at Jefferson City, thus affording escape from the branch lines.

### Illinois Club Proposed.

The students from Illinois, attending the University of Missouri, are preparing to organize an Illinois Club here. There are more than forty students at present in the various departments of the University, and the purpose of the club is to further the interests of the University of Missouri "back home," and to enable the students here to get better acquainted. The club will meet for organization in Room 24, Academic Hall, at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

### Charity Workers Meet Tonight.

The annual meeting of the Charity Organization Society of Columbia will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the chapel of the Presbyterian church. A Board of Directors for the ensuing year will be elected and the reports of officers heard. All interested in charitable work are invited by the society to be present.

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### Thaw Again in Asylum.

By United Press.  
WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Oct. 12.—Judge Mills today refused Harry K. Thaw's application for a trial by jury to consider his sanity. Judge Mills ruled he could not interfere on the habeas corpus proceedings instituted. In consequence Thaw was re-committed to the Matteawan Asylum.

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### NOW HEAD OF TRIBE IN MEXICO

Aided in Fight for Law During the Trouble in Coeur d'Alene.

### Special Correspondence.

SPOKANE, Wash., October 12.—Mrs. Harry L. Eisenhart, formerly Miss Horace Greeley Mary Perry, who fought for law and order in the Coeur d'Alene mining camps east of Spokane, while editor of Governor Steunenberg's newspaper, the Tribune, published at Caldwell, Idaho, before and after his assassination, three years ago, has been elected queen of the Zatulpan Indians in the state of Michoacan, Mexico, according to advices received here.

Mrs. Eisenhart is widely known as a newspaper woman of ability, but she is best remembered in the Spokane country for her lovable character and sturdy bravery. She did newspaper work in practically all parts of the United States and proved herself a thorough "newspaper man." That is what she calls herself.

### Has Owned Four Papers.

She never asked consideration because of her sex and always did a man's work at the desk or on the street. She was editor of four papers of her own at different times and worked under the direction of Governor Steunenberg during the critical period in the panhandle of Idaho and helped him in the fight, which ultimately resulted in his assassination. She remained in charge after his death and was largely responsible for having Harry Orchard and others brought to justice.

Mrs. Eisenhart is an Indian by adoption, having been a ward of Andrew John, chief of the Six Nations of New York, also a ward of Denman Thompson, the actor-playwright. Her father is T. M. Perry, a newspaper man of St. Peter, Minn., where she started in the business. She met Chief Andrew John when a child, and he took a fancy to her and later adopted her, with the consent of her father. She lived with the family of the old chief and among the Seneca Indians of New York a number of years, during which she met some of the foremost people of the country. Chief Andrew John, then the most noted Indian living, was a member of the court of Indian claims at Washington and one of the close friends of President Roosevelt and many of his predecessors.

### Worked in New York.

After leaving the Pacific Northwest she worked on several newspapers in New York State and in the eastern and southern states, going afterward to the city of Mexico, where she joined the staff of the Daily Record. One of her first assignments was to go to the Zatulpan district, on the border of the states of Guerrero and Michoacan, to investigate the claims of Americans, who had struck a bonanza in La Corona mines, once worked by the Spanish kings, and famous throughout the world as the place where Colonel Remmitt, an Englishman, was murdered by bandits, which resulted in the payment by Mexico of an indemnity of \$65,000 to avert a war with Great Britain.

When she reached the capital of Mexico Miss Perry found that there was no disposition to engage the services of a woman on any of the American papers, but finally she got on "extra" for three days, and after that she was regularly on the staff of the Record, receiving three promotions in rapid succession. W. P. Lampe, then managing editor, said the paper never

had a better or more willing worker. Before going on the Record, Miss Perry made a trip to Guatemala along the proposed route of the Pan-American railroad, and wrote a syndicate article for American papers on that new country.

### Her Bravery Won Husband.

Miss Perry met Harry L. Eisenhart, one of the men interested in La Corona mines, while on a trip through the most dangerous district of interior Mexico south of the capital, making investigations for her paper into a notable massacre, and he admired her pluck so that he followed her back to Mexico City and wooed and won her. Eisenhart is mining engineer and was for years the expert for a New York corporation in its Sonora mining activities in Mexico. They were married at El Paso, Tex., July 8, 1906, and have been living among the Indians at his mine where he first met her since that time.

Mrs. Eisenhart, now Queen Mary, is as self-possessed and cool as any man who ever took an assignment. She traveled alone from Mexico City to Guatemala and said she was not a bit frightened; she slept the first night she met the man who is now her husband, in a room where his predecessor had been murdered, and the last thing she saw when she closed her eyes for slumber were the machete marks where the bandits had battered down the door, but she said she had the best night's rest of her life. She now lives in the same room and is happy and contented and without a care in the world.

### Leopard Mangles Boy.

By United Press.  
HOUSTON, Tex., Oct. 12.—Phillips Lass, a small boy, was mangled by a leopard at the Barnum and Bailey circus here. His arm was chewed to a pulp before he could be rescued. His father, Joseph Lass, filed suit today for \$25,000 damages.

### To Recite "David Harum."

Professor John R. Scott of the Department of Elocution will recite passages from "David Harum" at the University assembly at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

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